

The Corps of Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers

War Diary

No. 8 (later No. 82) Canadian Mobile Ordnance Workshop
1917 - 1919



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Introduction

During the First World War, the Canadian Ordnance Corps had three Mobile Ordnance Workshops, which repaired and maintained the artillery and equipment of the Canadian Corps. This did not include operating and maintaining the mechanical transport (motor vehicles), which were operated by the Army Service Corps.

In the organization of the time, a light mobile workshop supported two infantry divisions, and a medium workshop supported the heavy and siege artillery in a Corps. A light workshop consisted of:

- Inspector of Ordnance Machinery (Engineer, usually a captain, but could be a lieutenant or major) - 1

- Armament Sergeant Major (Warrant Officer Class 1) - 1

- Armament Quartermaster Sergeant (Warrant Officer Class 2) - 1

- Armament Staff Sergeants (or Fitter Staff Sergeants) - 3

- Fitters - 4*

- Turners - 3* (lathe operators)

- Blacksmiths - 3*

- Hammermen - 2* (blacksmith's assistant)

- Wheelers - 4*

- Clerks - 1

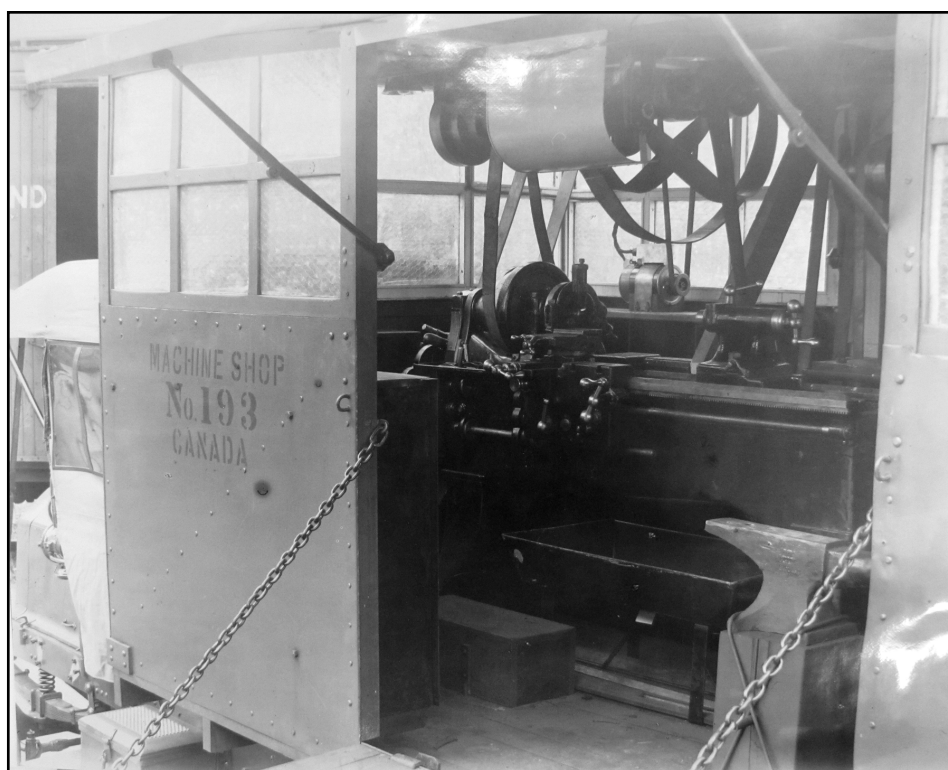
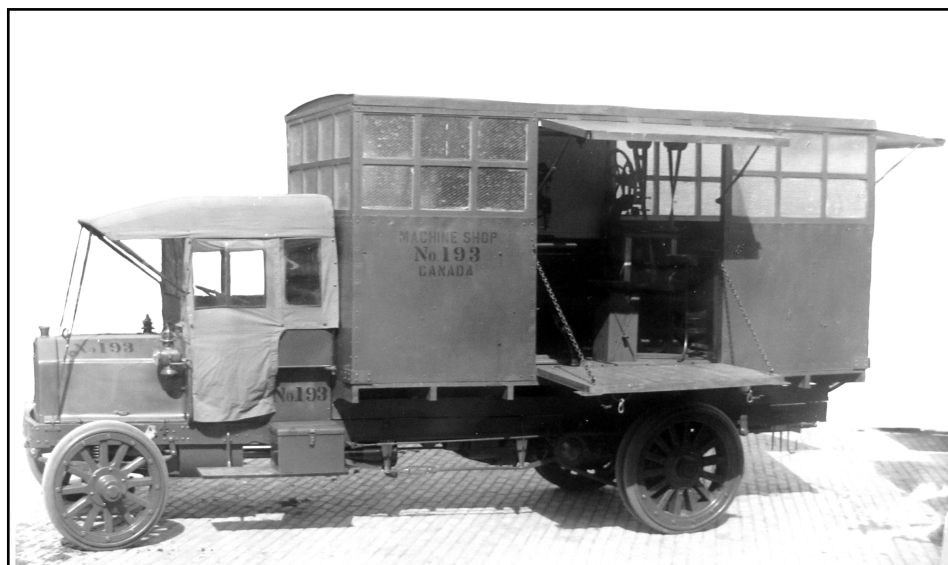
- Total - 23 all ranks

- *Of these, two would be corporals.

The first Canadian workshop, the Canadian Ordnance Travelling Workshop, was formed in Halifax in October 1915 and staffed by Permanent Force artificers. It went to Britain and on to France, where it began supporting the Canadian Corps in March 1916. Shortly after, it was renamed Number 26 Canadian Travelling Ordnance Workshop Unit. In July, it became No. 26 Canadian Mobile Ordnance Workshop (Light). It consisted of Canadian personnel under the command of a Canadian "Inspector of Ordnance Machinery", Captain A.S. Buttenshaw. The workshop was renamed No. 81 Canadian Ordnance Mobile Workshop (Light) in November 1918.

The Canadian Corps continued to expand and, in November 1916, the Imperial (British) No. 8 Mobile Ordnance Workshop (Light) began working with the Corps. In April 1917, that workshop was renamed No. 8 Canadian Mobile Ordnance Workshop (Light) and was manned with Canadian personnel. Armament Artificer Sergeant-Major H. Durling, who had been with 26 Workshop since the beginning, was commissioned from the ranks and appointed as I.O.M. and commander of the new workshop.

On 7 October 1918, No. 83 Canadian Ordnance Workshop (Medium) was formed to repair and maintain the siege artillery in the Canadian Corps. It was commanded by Lieutenant A.H. Phillips, who had also been commissioned from the ranks in No. 26 Canadian Mobile Workshop.



A Canadian-designed and manufactured machine shop lorry as supplied to the Canadian Corps.

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No 8 Canadian Ordnance Mobile Workshop.

FROM 10th June TO 30th June 1917.

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WAR DIARY

No. 6 Canadian Ordnance Mobile Workshop,

From 10th to 30th June, 1917.

Volume 17-6

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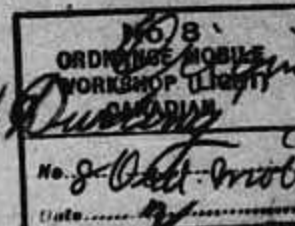
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villers au Bois.	10/6/17		<p>Summary of events leading up to commencement of diary for July</p> <p>This ship was taken over from the imperial authorities on 10th June 1917, Canadian Personnel replacing the Imperial. The equipment was found to be in a very satisfactory condition, with the exception of the light Studebaker car, which apparently has seen its best days, but I must try and keep same as long as possible, otherwise I shall be issued with a "Ford", which is unsuitable for the duties of an I.O.M. The personnel of the workshop with the exception of the I.O.M., Sergt. Major and the two Armament Artificers, were generally made up of mechanics taken from the different Infantry Battalions of the Canadian Corps, who were already attached to No 26 Ordnance Mobile Workshop and had received training on repairs to Artillery equipment.</p> <p>The I.O.M. and Sergt Major were part of the original personnel of No 26 Workshop in the capacity of Armament Sergt Major and Armament Staff Sergt respectively.</p> <p>No time was lost in starting and a fair amount of work was turned out by the end of the first month, having overhauled and repaired 31 Guns, Howitzers and Carriages, both Heavy & Light.</p>	<p>#9 Sergt 606.</p> <p>#9. Sergeant 606.</p> <p>#9. Sergeant 606.</p> <p>#9. Sergeant 606.</p>

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No. 8
ORDNANCE MOBILE
WORKSHOP (LIGHT)
CANADIAN.

Army Form C. 2118.

No. 1

Date

H. Durling

Lieut C.O.B. J. O'P.

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Remarks and
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Appendices

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Summary of Events and Information

Villers au
Bois.

10/6/17

to

12/6/17

13/6/17

14/6/17

to

30/6/17

Commenced to take over No 8 Ordnance Mobile Workshop, (Light) from the Imperial Authorities. The equipment consisting of One Workshop Lorry, one Store Lorry, One 3 ton Lorry and One Studibaker car. The workshop lorry is fitted out with One 5" lathe, motor driven, one drilling machine, electric, one electric grinder, one drilling machine hand and various other smaller matters of tools. The source of power is obtained from a 10 H.P. Douglas Engine with a direct coupled 5 H.P. Generator. The store lorry is fitted out to take all matters of smaller stores required for the maintenance of Artillery equipments. The equipment was found to be in a fairly satisfactory state. A 7" motor driven lathe is also included in above equipment. Work was now commenced on repairs to equipments of Artillery and Infantry of the 3rd and 4th Canadian Divisions which with a number of Heavy and Siege Batteries were based on this workshop. Repairs to Artillery equipments were above normal owing to the Canadian Corps being continually in action around Lens. Total number of Guns, Howitzers and carriages repaired during month included 3 B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzers, 5 Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers and 25 Q.F. 18 Pdis. also a large number of G.S. wagons, wagon limbered, barb water Tank and Kitchens travelling.

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No 8 Canadian Ordnance Mobile Workshop

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WAR DIARY

No. 8 Canadian Ordnance Mobile Workshop,

From 1st to 31st July, 1917.

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Appendix A.

Letters of appreciation to No. 8 Cdn.
Ordnance Mobile Workshop .

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ORDNANCE MOBILE
WORKSHOP (LIGHT)
CANADIAN.

Army Form C. 2118.2

No. 3
H. Durling *Lieut. Col. J. O. P.*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villers au Bois.	1/7/17		General Overhaul of Guns and equipments work still continues heavy, workshop continually in operation both night and day, to cope with the enormous amount of work coming in. This causes a heavy strain on the workshop personnel, who unlike other units of the Canadian Corps, have no periods of rest.	H.P.
	22/7/17		General Mercier G. O. C. R.A. 1st Army inspected the workshop and appeared to be quite satisfied with our efforts.	H.P.
	23/7/17		Lieut. General Sir Arthur W. Currie K. C. B. G. C. B. Commanding Canadian Corps inspected the workshop but did not say whether he was satisfied with our work.	H.P.
	24/7/17		Work as usual.	H.P.
	25/7/17		General Sir H. S. Horne K. C. B. Commanding First Army inspected the workshop and warmly congratulated all ranks on their efforts put forth in keeping the guns in the line and stated that the workshops contributed considerably towards the success of the operations of the First Army, including Vimy and the subsequent operations on the Army front, and a few days later, sent a letter a copy of which is attached.	H.P.
	26/7/17		During the month the following equipments were repaired in shop, B.L. 6" 26 cwt Hows (2), B.L. 60 Pdrs. (2) Q.F. 4.5 Hows. (6) Q.F. 18 Pdrs. (49), Q.F. 13 Pdr 9 cwt A.A. (1)	H.P.
	27/7/17			
	31/7/17			

Appendix "A"

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D. D. O. S.

First Army.

First Army No A. Q. 85. 29.7.17

1. The Army commander wishes to express to the Officers and men of the Ordnance workshops his appreciation of the excellent work which has been, and is being, done in these shops, particularly during the last few months.
2. I am to add also, that in keeping pace, as they have done, with the very heavy repairs to guns and gun parts necessitated by recent fighting, the personnel of this branch of the Ordnance Services have very materially assisted in the success of the operations of the First Army.

(Sd) P. G. Twining
Major General.

Headquarters
Adv. First Army.

D. A. Q. M. G.

Copy to G. O. C. R. A.

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J. O. M.

No 8 Ordnance Mobile Workshop (Light)

O. S. 12/53/2. 31st July. 1917

For information and communication to all ranks:
I also wish to add my own thanks to you, and those working under your command. It is a great pleasure to have such support and assistance, from those engaged in the vital work of repairs to Artillery material, and I feel I can always rely on you all to maintain this high standard.

Headquarters
First Army

(Sd) W. Escher Smith
Colonel.
D. D. O. S. First Army

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No 8 Canadian Ordnance Mobile Workshop

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No. 8 Canadian Ordnance Mobile Workshop,

From 1st to 31st August, 1917.

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H. Hurling Lieut Col. C. I. O. M.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	2	Remarks and references to Appendices
Valler au Bois	1/8/17		Repairs to Artillery and Infantry Equipments continue very heavy. The nature of repairs to Q.F. 18 Pdr carriages are usually due, to two causes, (1) wear and (2) by being struck by hostile shell fire. The former being the most frequent, no provision being made when designed, for adjustment. One of the chief points of wear being the cradle through which the gun recoils. The slides of cradle having to be frequently relined in workshop.		H.D.
	15/8/17		The chief trouble caused by Hostile Shell fire, invariably damages the gun guides and outer spring case, this part having no protection.		H.D.
	16/8/17		D. D. O. I. accompanied by C. I. O. M. First Army. visited workshop and appeared to be satisfied with the progress of the work.		H.D.
	17/8/17		Heavy ordnance of guns, still being sent to workshop, although only equipt for light work, carrying out modifications to trails to B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzers which entails a large amount of rivetting and heavy blacksmithing, which is carried out Heavy Mobile Workshop.		H.D.
	18/8/17		Still continue very busy on repair of Artillery Equipment. Commencing to fix up workshop and Bille's for the winter months as apparently Canadian Corps will remain on this front during winter.		H.D.
	31/8/17		Total number of guns repaired during the month included 5 B.L. 60 Pdrs, 3 B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzers, 10 Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers, 24 Q.F. 18 Pdrs making a total of 42 guns repaired during the month, in addition to above quite a lot of other detail works was carried out such as sights, water carts, kitchens, & wagons.		H.D.

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WAR DIARY

No. 6 Canadian Ordnance Mobile Workshop,

From 1st to 30th September, 1917.

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Appendix A.

Summary of events during month of September,
1917.

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H. Durling

Lieut. C. O. C.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and reference to Appendix
<i>Villiers au Bois France</i>	<i>1/4/17</i>		<i>Repairs to Artillery equipment continue very heavy. One B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzer and Three Q.F. 18 Pdr guns arriving in workshop for repairs and Three Q.F. 18 Pdrs were completed and removed by units.</i>	
	<i>2/4/17</i>		<i>Two Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers arrived in workshop for repairs.</i>	
	<i>3/4/17</i>		<i>One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer arrived in workshop for repairs, and Three Q.F. 18 Pdrs were completed and issued.</i>	
	<i>4/4/17</i>		<i>One B.L. 60 Pdr and One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer completed and issued.</i>	
	<i>5/4/17</i>		<i>One B.L. 10 Pdr and Two Q.F. 18 Pdrs arrived in workshop for repairs and One B.L. 60 Pdr and One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer completed and issued.</i>	
	<i>6/4/17</i>		<i>Three Q.F. 18 Pdrs arrived in workshop for repairs and One B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzer, One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer and Two Q.F. 18 Pdrs were completed and issued.</i>	
	<i>7/4/17</i>		<i>One B.L. 60 Pdr and Three Q.F. 18 Pdrs arrived in workshop for repairs and One Q.F. 18 Pdr completed and issued.</i>	
	<i>8/4/17</i>		<i>Nine Q.F. 18 Pdrs arrived in workshop for repairs and Three Q.F. 18 Pdrs were completed and issued.</i>	
	<i>9/10/17</i>		<i>One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer and one Q.F. 18 Pdr arrived in workshop for repairs and one Q.F. 18 Pdr completed and issued.</i>	
	<i>10/10/17</i>		<i>One B.L. 60 Pdr and Two Q.F. 18 Pdrs were completed and issued.</i>	
	<i>11/10/17</i>		<i>One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer and Two Q.F. 18 Pdrs arrived in workshop for repairs.</i>	
	<i>12/10/17</i>		<i>One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer and one Q.F. 18 Pdr arrived in workshop for repairs and Two Q.F. 18 Pdrs completed and issued.</i>	
	<i>13/10/17</i>		<i>Three Q.F. 18 Pdrs arrived in workshop for repairs and Two Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers and One Q.F. 18 Pdr completed and issued.</i>	

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H. Durking Lieut Col.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendix
Villers au Bois France.	14/9/17		One B.L. 60 Pdr and Two Q.F. 18 Pdrs completed and issued.	<i>H.D.</i>
	15/9/17		One B.L. 60 Pdr arrived in workshop for repairs	
	16/9/17		Two Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers and Four Q.F. 18 Pdrs arrived in workshop for repairs and Two Q.F. 18 Pdrs completed and issued.	
	17/9/17		One Q.F. 18 Pdr completed and issued and One B.L. 60 Pdr completed and issued.	
	18/9/17		One B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzer arrived in workshop for repairs and One B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzer and One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer and Twelve Q.F. 18 Pdrs completed and issued.	
	19/9/17		One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer arrived in workshop for repairs and One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer and one Q.F. 18 Pdr completed and issued.	
	20/9/17		One B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzer, One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer and Three Q.F. 18 Pdrs arrived in workshop for repairs and Two Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers and Two Q.F. 18 Pdrs were completed and issued.	
	21/9/17		One B.L. 60 Pdr arrived and One Q.F. 18 Pdr in workshop for repairs and One B.L. 6" 26 cwt, One B.L. 60 Pdr, One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer and One Q.F. 18 Pdr completed and issued.	
	22/9/17		Two Q.F. 18 Pdrs completed & issued and Two Q.F. 18 Pdrs arrived in workshop for repairs.	
	23/9/17		Two Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers and Three Q.F. 18 Pdrs completed and issued.	
	24/9/17		One B.L. 60 Pdr arrived in workshop for repairs and One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer completed and issued.	<i>H.D.</i>
	25/9/17		No equipments were received and none issued, but work pushed on equipments in workshop.	
	26/9/17		One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer arrived in workshop for repairs and one B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzer completed and issued.	
	27/10/17		No receipts or issues. Work pushed on equipments in workshop.	

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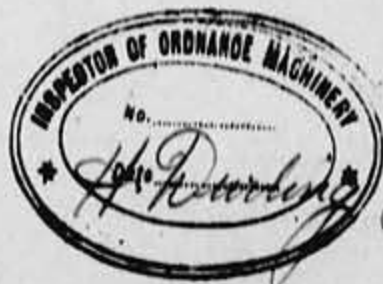
APPENDIX 'A'

Summary of events during month
of September 1917

No. 8 ORDNANCE MOBILE WORKSHOP (LIGHT) CANADIAN.
No.
Date

At the commencement of September the following equipments were in workshop from preceding month
B.L. 60 Pds = 3, B.L. 6" 26 cwt = 1, Q.F. 4.5 How = 3, Q.F. 18 Pds = 8. During the month the total equipments arriving in workshops was B.L. 60 Pds = 5, B.L. 6" 26 cwt = 3, Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers = 11, Q.F. 18 Pds = 36. These were all completely overhauled and necessary repairs carried out to the following total equipments = B.L. 60 Pds = 8, B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzers = 4, Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers = 14, Q.F. 18 Pds = 44. Repairs were carried out in the time allotted viz = B.L. 60 Pds = 5 days, B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzers = 6 days, Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers = 4 days and Q.F. 18 Pds = 3 days, in every case no repair extended over time specified which necessitated the personnel of 25 men working both day and night many times during the month.

The Range Finding Artificers at this workshop carries out all repairs to Optical Instruments for the Canadian Corps, and during the month of September carried out a normal months work, as follows: - No 7 Dial sights repaired = 54, Compass Prismatic repaired = 11, Directors and Stands repaired = 4, Rifle Telescopic Sights repaired = 2, Telescopes repaired = 10, Binocular Prismatic repaired = 43, Clinometer Field repaired = 9, Clinometer Sight Repaired = 6, Periscopes in repaired = 14, Range Finders Bars & Stand repaired = 2, Barometers repaired = 2, Making a total of 147 Optical instruments overhauled and repaired during the month.



Lieut. G. O. B.

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From 1st to 30th October, 1917.

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Appendix A.

Summary of events during October, 1917.

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WORKSHOP (LIGHT)
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.
No. 1
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Lieut. Col.

Remarks and references to Appendices

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
Vallen au Bois France.	1/10/17		work on Artillery Equipment rather light at present only the following equipment being completed and issued B.L. 60 Pdr 1, Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer 1, in addition to above the following Infantry Equipment was overhauled and repaired, wagons G.S. MK I 2, wagons limbered 2, Carb water Tank 1,
	2/10/17		The following Artillery Equipment overhauled and repaired Q.F. 18 Pdr 2, B.L. 60 Pdr Vent 'T' Axial 2, B.L. 60 Pdr Light Oscillating 2, B.L. 60 Pdr modification to Spring Press 2. The following repairs carried out to Infantry Equipment, wagons G.S. MK I 1, wagons limbered G.S. 2, Carb water Tank 1,
	3/10/17		work light Repairs to Artillery Equipment B.L. 60 Pdr modification to Spring Press 1, B.L. 60 Pdr Piston Rods 2, Infantry Equipment Carb water Tank 2, Kitchen Travelling 1,
	4/10/17		work continues light, B.L. 60 Pdr modification to Spring Press 1, Infantry Equipment wagons limbered 1, Carb water Tank 1,
	5/10/17		work normal Q.F. 18 Pdr 1, Carrier No 1 repaired 2, Boats strengthening saddle B.L. 60 Pdr 1,
	6/10/17		work light only 1 B.L. 60 Pdr Vent 'T' Axial and 1 Piston Rod in Artillery Equipment and 1 wagon G.S. in Infantry Equipment repaired.
	7/10/17		work continues light only 1 B.L. 60 Pdr piston rod and 1 wagon G.S. MK I repaired
	8/10/17		work completed wagon G.S. MK I 1, wagon limbered 1, Carb water Tank 1, Kitchen Travelling 1. Light Oscillating 1, Carrier No 1 - 1.
	9/10/17		work completed Q.F. 18 Pdr 1, Carb water Tank 1, B.L. 60 Pdr modification to Spring Press 1, B.L. 60 Pdr Piston Rods 1
	10/10/17		work very heavy orders received to have 11 Q.F. 18 Pdr completed for issue. These were completed new pieces being received and fitted to carriages in record time, the pieces were received at 9 a.m. and were completed and ready for issue by 2 a.m. 11/10/17. The personnel working very hard to accomplish this.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villers au Bois.	11/10/17		After the heavy night's work the personnel rested for a few hours in the morning and started to work again about 10 am during the day completing the following repairs Wagons G.S. Mk I, Light Oscillating 1.	
	12/10/17		Work completed Q.F. 18 Pdr 1, B.L. 60 Pdr Spring Press modified 1, B.L. 60 Pdr Piston Pdr 1, Wagon G.S. MK I,	
	13/10/17		The Canadian Corps commenced to move out from this area, this workshop being handed over to V Corps (Imperial). The V Corps started to move in today and we were kept very busy with Infantry equipment. Practically all the equipment had not received the modifications as laid down and which had been carried out on all Infantry equipments before leaving this area of the Canadian Troops. During the day we received 3 Wagons G.S. and 5 Carts water Tank for modification.	
	14/10/17		Infantry Equipments belonging to V Corps continue to pour into workshop for modification at present we have received 6 Wagons G.S. Mk I and 7 Carts water Tank besides several minor equipments for modification and repairs, the wheelers and water cart department being kept continually busy.	
	15/10/17		V Corps Artillery equipment starting to come into workshop Q.F. 18 Pdrs 2, coming in for repairs. Repairs effected and guns issued.	
	16/10/17		B.L. 60 Pdr 1, Q.F. 18 Pdrs. 2, B.L. 60 Pdr Tank T. Asial 1, B.L. 60 Pdr Spring Press, Carts water Tank. 2, repaired and issued.	
	17/10/17		Work very busy again. Orders received to have 5 Q.F. 18 Pdrs ready for issue. Repairs carried out and issued.	

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Villes au Bois.	18/10/17		Work normal the following equipments were completed and issued. Q.F. 18 Pdr 2, B.L. 60 Pdr sight oscillating 2, Wagons G.S. 1, Carb water Tank 1.	
	19/10/17		Work light only 2 B.L. 60 Pdr Spring Presses completed (modifications carried out)	
	20/10/17		Work light. B.L. 60 Pdr Vents "Aerial 2, Light Oscillating 1, Carb water Tank (modification) carried out	
	21/10/17		Work normal. Q.F. 18 Pdr 2 completed and issued. Also the following Infantry Equipment repaired and issued Wagons G.S. MKI 1, Carb water Tank 1, Wagons Limbed 1.	
	22/10/17		Work normal Q.F. 18 Pdr 3 completed and issued. and 1 water Cart repaired and issued.	
	23/10/17		Works visited by the new C.D.O.M. Lieut Col. Everett. A.O.B.	
			Work normal Q.F. 18 Pdr 1 completed and issued. and B.L. 60 Pdr Vents "Aerial 2	
			Light Oscillating 2, Carb water Tank 1 repaired and issued.	
	24/10/17		Work light. One B.L. 60 Pdr Spring Press modified and one Carb water Tank repaired.	
	25/10/17		Works visited by Lieut Col. Everett A.O.B. C.D.O.M. First Army.	
			Work light. Two. Carb water and one Kitchen Travelling repaired and issued.	
	26/10/17		Work normal Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer and one Q.F. 18 Pdr completed and issued also one Carb water Tank, one wagon Limbed R & and one Carb cable repaired and issued.	
	27/10/17		Work light. One wagon G.S. MKI, One wagon Limbed, Two Carb water Tank completed and issued.	
	28/10/17		Works visited by Lt Col. Everett A.O.B. C.D.O.M. First Army. Work Very light.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Vatles an Bois.	<i>26/10/17</i>		<i>Work busy. owing to being short handed Orders received for 2 Q.F. 18 Pdrs to be completed at once and work to be pushed. Work continued all night and guns were completed by 9 am 30th.</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
	<i>30/10/17</i>		<i>Work normal. One Q.F. 18 Pdr completed, 2 water carts, 1 G. I. MKII Wagon.</i>	

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Summary of Events during October 1917.

The month of October has been a normal month as regards work in this workshop. During the month the following total repairs were effected and issues made: B.L. 60 Pdrs. 2, Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers 2, Q.F. 18 Pdrs 37, B.L. 60 Pdr Spring Busses modified 9, Light Oscillating 9, B.L. 60 Pdr Vent "T" Axial 8 (for rebushing & reheading) Pistons Rods 6, Wagons G.I. Mk. I 15, Wagons Limbuid 8, Wagons Limbuid R. 6. 1, Barb Water Tank 29, Barb Cable 1, Kitchens Travelling 3. As will be seen by the above this was a very heavy month for repairs to Barb Water Tank owing to the Canadian Corps leaving this area and the I Corps coming in. A large amount of work had to be done to these Water Tanks in addition to modifications as laid down.

On Oct 13th the Canadian Corps left this area for parts unknown and the workshop with its personnel were handed over to the I Corps which caused great disappointment to all, as being Canadians, we all prefer to be with the Canadians where ever they are, having been formed in the Canadian Corps, we know that our services are appreciated and moreover we can follow their work better, as conditions are slightly different from the Imperial.

In addition to the above work the Range Finding Artificer branch at this workshop carried out a normal months work which included the following: - Binoculars Prismatic 16, Clinometers Field & Light 10, No 14 Periscopes 8, Rifle Tele sights 3, Telescopes 5, Compasses Prismatic 6, No 3 4 & 5 Directors 10, Range Finders (Barr & Stroud) 4, No 7 Dialights 18, Telescopes Anti Air Craft 4.

During the last part of the month the Range Finding Artificer at this shop carried out the repairs to optical instruments for the XIII Corps owing to the Artificer for XIII Corps being on leave.

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Lieut. Col.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villeneuve	1/1/17		Work continues light during the absence of the Canadian Corps. from this area. The following equipments were repaired and issued today. Q.F. 18 pdrs. 1 carriage overhauled and repaired and sights tested, Wagons G.S. 1. Carts water tank 2. overhauled and repaired. One water cart overhauled and repaired.	
	2/1/17		Q.F. 13 pdr 9 cwt. anti aircraft gun overhauled and repaired. One cart water tank. One cart officers mess, overhauled and repaired.	
	3/1/17		Work increased to normal conditions. The following equipments were overhauled, repaired, and modifications carried out where necessary. Q.F. 18 pdrs 3. Wagons G.S. 2. Carts water tank 1. Kitchen travelling 1.	
	4/1/17		Altho practically little work was done in the shops. Considerable work was done by members of the Personnel in Battery positions. The following 6" Battery were examined, and measurements taken of Howitzers in position. 112.-	
	5/1/17		Seige Battery. Work in shop continues light; following equipments being overhauled and repaired, Wagons G.S. 1, Pt. 60 pdr Vent T axial 1, Battery examinations were carried out of following Batteries in position, and guns measured. 71 st Seige Battery. and The 99 th Seige Battery.	
	6/1/17		Work continues light. minor repairs being carried on in workshop.	
	7/1/17		The following equipments overhauled and repaired, Wagons G.S. 2 wagons limbered 1. Modifications carried out to one water cart.	
	8/1/17		Minor repairs carried out in workshop.	
	9/1/17		Repairs to Workshop equipment; power engine overhauled, Spare parts for guns manufactured.	
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Place	Date	Hour	
Villers au Bois	11/11/17		Following equipments overhauled and repaired wagons 45. 2, wagons limbered 2
	12/11/17		Carts water tank 2. Modifications carried out. Work continues light; wagons limbered 45. wagons Amm. I overhauled and repaired.
	13/11/17		Work normal. Following equipments overhauled and repaired. Q.F. 18 pdr 2 wagons
	14/11/17		45. I Kitchens Travelling I carts water tank one, Repairs carried out to workshop equipment; also to 1 wagon limbered
	15/11/17		45. Following equipments overhauled, repaired, and new parts manufactured and fitted Q.F. 18 pdr I wagons 45. I Kitchens Travelling 2. Carts officers mess
	16/11/17		I B.L. 60 pdr Vento T apical I. No 4 Directors 2, Work light - Carts water tank repaired 2 and modifications carried out -
	17/11/17		B.L. 60 pdr Vento T apical re-headed 2. Kitchens Travelling 2. extensive repairs,
	18/11/17		Repairs to artillery equipment - heavy, following being overhauled repaired, spare parts manufactured and fitted and guns issued,
	19/11/17		Q.F. 18 pdr. 5 Following equipment overhauled and repaired, wagons ambulance
	20/11/17		I, Kitchens Travelling 2, carts water tank I, wagons Amm. I
	21/11/17		Work normal, Q.F. 18 pdr 4. Carts water tank I, overhauled and repaired. No 7 Dial Sight Carrier, repaired one.
			One Q.F. 18 pdr, Kitchens Travelling 2. Carts officers mess I. Sight Oscillating I overhauled and repaired.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
Villiers au Bois	22/11/17		Work heavy today, necessitating operations being carried on day and night. The following equipments were overhauled, repairs effected where necessary and issued to units within the 24 hours, Q.F. 18 pdrs 14. Wagons 45.1
	23/11/17		The following equipments were overhauled and repaired Wagons Limbered 1 Kitchens travelling 3.
	24/11/17		Q.F. 18 pdrs 1, Wagons 45.1, Kitchens travelling one, overhauled and repaired.
	25/11/17		Parts for guns in shop manufactured and fitted, Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers 1 overhauled and repaired.
	26/11/17		Kitchens travelling 1, minor repairs carried out to workshop equipment.
	27/11/17		Q.F. 18 pdrs 2, overhauled and repaired. Q.L. 60 pdrs Vento T axial. re-headed and rebrashed.
	28/11/17		Work busy in Blacksmiths department, Kitchens travelling 3.
	29/11/17		Wagons Limbered 1 overhauled and repaired.
			Work fairly busy. Q.F. 18 pdrs 4. received in workshop, having been struck by hostile shell fire. causing indentations in piece. These indentations were removed and minor repairs carried out on carriages.
	30/11/17		Repairs carried out to workshop equipment, manufacture of parts essential to gun repairs, were carried out.
			Summary: as will be seen by the foregoing, the month of November being a normal month as regards work, during the month, total equipments repaired as follows: Q.F. 18 pdrs 57. 4.5 Howitzers 1, Wagons 45.11. Wagons Limbered 9. Kitchens travelling 18. Parts water tank 13. Wagons amm. 2. Wagons amb. 1. Carts officers mess 3.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
Dillers au Bois	1-12-17		Month opened with very little work in shop. Repairs were carried out to workshop equipment. One Q.F. 18 pdr. overhauled and repaired. One Cart-water Tank overhauled refilled and modifications carried out.
	2-12-17		One 18 pdr overhauled and repaired. One kitchen travelling, one wagon limbered G.S. Overhauled and repaired.
	3-12-17		No repairs carried out to artillery equipment. repairs to Infantry equipment comprise the following. One Cart-water tank, one kitchen travelling, overhauled repaired and modifications carried out.
	4-12-17		Repairs to artillery equipment: One Q.F. 18 pdr thoroughly overhauled and repaired. Repairs to infantry equipment: One water cart, one kitchen travelling. One wagon limbered G.S. overhauled and repaired.
	5-12-17		Repairs to artillery equipment - Nil. Repairs to infantry equipment as follows. 2 Carts water tanks. One wagon limbered G.S. overhauled and repaired.
	6-12-17		Repairs to artillery equipment remains very light. repairs to infantry equipment still normal. One cart-water tank, one wagon limbered G.S. and one wagon G.S. overhauled and repaired.
	7-12-17		No Artillery equipment repaired. 2 Kitchens travelling and one wagon limbered G.S. Overhauled and repaired.
	8-12-17		Infantry equipment repaired as follows. One Cart-water Tank - 2 Kitchens travelling.
	9-12-17		Work very light. One cart-water tank overhauled and repaired in workshop.
	10-12-17		Two Carts water Tank, 2 Kitchens travelling, one wagon limbered G.S. overhauled and refilled in workshop.
	11-12-17		Only one cart-water tank repaired.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendix
Oullers au Bois	12-12-17		Repairs to artillery equipment. remains very light: Repairs to Infantry equipment still continue normal. One cart water tank. 2 wagons limbered G.S. overhauled and repaired in workshop.	} <i>44</i>
	13-12-17		One B.L. 60 pdr. overhauled and repaired. 2 carts water tank, and one cart officers mess. overhauled and repaired.	
	14-12-17		One wagon ammunition repaired and repairs to workshop equipment carried out.	
	15-12-17		Repairs to workshop equipment continued. one wagon limbered G.S. overhauled and repaired.	
	16-12-17		Repairs to workshop equipment continued and spare parts manufactured.	
	17-12-17		Repairs to workshop equipment continued one Douglas engine thoroughly overhauled and repairs effected where necessary.	
	18-12-17		Repairs to following Infantry equipment carried out: one cart water tank. One wagon limbered G.S. One cart officers mess overhauled and repaired.	
	19-12-17		One cart water tank two kitchens travelling overhauled and repaired in workshop.	
	20-12-17		One Q.F. 18 pdr. overhauled and repaired, one cart water tank, one kitchen travelling, one Q.F. 4.5 Limber overhauled and repaired.	
	21-12-17		Work on artillery equipment carried out on the following B.L. 6" 26 cwt. Howitzers 3. Recuperators thoroughly overhauled. One cart water tank	
	22-12-17		One wagon G.S. overhauled and repaired.	
	23-12-17		One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer, one kitchen travelling, one wagon ammunition overhauled and repaired in workshop.	
	24-12-17		Minor repairs carried out to workshop equipment.	
	25-12-17		One cart officers mess. overhauled and repaired.	
			Work on artillery equipment heavy 6 Q.F. 18 pdrs, 1 Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer overhauled repaired.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
Billers au Bon	26/12/17		owing to personnel of the workshop having to work Christmas day. Christmas festivities. Were engaged in today. every facility was afforded. Under active service conditions.
	27-12-17		owing to severe weather now prevailing. extensive repairs had to be carried out to workshop and billets.
	28-12-17		Repairs to Artillery equipment: Normal. 3 Q.F. 18 pdrs 2. Carts water Tanks One wagon G.S. One Cart Officers mess overhauled and repaired.
	29-12-17		Spare parts manufactured and repairs continued to workshop building
	30-12-17		3 Q.F. H. 5 Howitzers 4-6" 26 Cwt. Howitzers one Cart-water tank, one wagon limbered G.S. overhauled and repaired
	31-12-17		Repairs Completed to workshop building.
			Summary: as will be seen by the above. Repairs to artillery equipment have been very light during the month. Only 13 Q.F. 18 pdrs. 5 Q.F. H. 5 Howitzers one B.L. 6" pdr. 7 B.L. 6" 26 Cwt. Howitzers passing thru the shop. During the month repairs to infantry equipment have been Normal. 21 Carts water Tanks. 13 Kitchens Travelling 12 wagons limbered G.S. 3 wagons G.S. 2 wagons Ammunition. 4 Carts officers mess. One Q.F. H. 5 Howitzer limber passed thru the shop.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ullersdu Bois	1-1-18		The new year opened with all work on Artillery and infantry equipment completed and in service. During the day, repairs were carried out to workshop equipment.	
	2-1-18		The following infantry equipment repaired in shop, 1 Cart water tank, 2 Wagon limbers & 3. 1 Kitchen travelling.	
	3-1-18		One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer overhauled and repaired. One kitchen travelling overhauled and repaired.	
	4-1-18		No repairs to Artillery equipment; following Infantry equipment overhauled and repaired, two Cart water tanks, one wagon & 3.	
	5-1-18		One 18 pdr overhauled and repaired. Repairs to workshop equipment.	
	6-1-18		Work continues light in shop. One wagon & 3. overhauled and repaired.	
	7-1-18		Extensive repairs to Artillery equipment. Seven Q.F. 18 pounders, overhauled and repaired, following work carried out to Infantry equipment, one Cart officers mess overhauled and repaired.	
	8-1-18		Repairs to Artillery equipment remains brisk. One B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzer brought in today for instructional purposes and removed the following day.	
	9-1-18		Work in shop continues brisk. Three Q.F. 18 pdrs overhauled and repaired, and following repairs carried out to Infantry equipment, one wagon & 3. and one Cart officers mess overhauled and repaired.	
	10-1-18		Four Q.F. 18 pdrs overhauled and repaired. One wagon limbered & 3. and one Cart mallee overhauled and repaired.	
	11-1-18		Work in shop continues brisk. Two B.L. 8" Howitzers overhauled. Repaired and all modifications carried out. Extensive repairs to Infantry equipment, two Cart water tanks, overhauled and modifications carried out.	
	12-1-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr overhauled and repaired. One Cart water tank overhauled and repaired and modifications carried out. One Cart officers mess	
	13-1-18		Work in shop continues heavy. Four Q.F. 18 pounders overhauled and repaired and work to Infantry equipment continues brisk. Two Cart water tank overhauled and repaired and modifications carried out.	
	14-1-18		No Artillery equipment in shop. Repairs carried out to workshop equipment and two Cart water tank overhauled and repaired and modifications carried out. One Cart officers mess overhauled and repaired.	
	15-1-18		Two Q.F. 18 pdrs overhauled and repaired. One Cart water tank overhauled, repaired, and modifications carried out.	
	16-1-18		Extensive repairs to Artillery equipment, three Q.F. 18 pdrs overhauled and repaired, one Cart water tank, overhauled and modifications carried out.	
	17-1-18		One wagon limbered & 3. overhauled and repaired.	
	18-1-18		One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer overhauled. Repaired and all modifications carried out. One wagon ammunition overhauled and repaired. One wagon limbered R.B. overhauled and repaired.	
			Work in shop normal. Extensive repairs to workshop equipment;	

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Oullens au Bois	19-1-18		Repairs to artillery equipment brisk, 5 Q.F. 18 pdrs overhauled and repaired.	
	20-1-18		Work on infantry equipment light. One Q.F. 18 pdr, two wagons L.S. overhauled and repaired two carts water tanks overhauled and modifications carried out.	
	21-1-18		One B.L. 60 pdr overhauled, repaired, and modifications carried out, one cart water tank overhauled and repaired.	
	22-1-18		Work to artillery equipment light, one wagon L.S. overhauled and repaired, repairs to workshop building and equipment carried out.	
	23-1-18		Two Q.F. 18 pdrs, one wagon ammunition overhauled and repaired.	
	24-1-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr overhauled and repaired, one wagon L.S. one wagon lumbered R.R. overhauled and repaired.	
	25-1-18		Repairs to artillery equipment continues normal. One Q.F. 18 pdr overhauled and repaired, and one wagon ammunition overhauled and repaired.	
	26-1-18		Two carts water tank and one cart mallee overhauled and repaired modifications carried out where necessary.	
	27-1-18		Repairs to workshop equipment continued, one kitchen travelling, one wagon L.S. overhauled, and repaired.	
	28-1-18		One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer overhauled repaired and modifications carried out.	
	29-1-18		One cart water tank, one cart trench mortar overhauled and repaired.	
	30-1-18		One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer, one cart water tank, one wagon L.S. overhauled and repaired modifications carried out.	
	31-1-18		Work to artillery equipment continues brisk, two Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers overhauled repaired and modifications carried out.	
			One cart water tank overhauled repaired and all modifications carried out. Repairs to workshop equipment continued during the day.	
			Summary:-	
			As will be seen by the above. Repairs to artillery equipment have been very heavy during the month. 35 Q.F. 18 pdrs, 6 Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers, one B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzer, one B.L. 60 pdr, and two B.L. 18" Howitzers, passing through the shop. Repairs to infantry equipment have been normal only 20 carts water tanks, 4 wagons lumbered L.S. 4 kitchens travelling 8 wagons L.S., 4 carts officers mess, 2 carts mallee, 2 wagons lumbered R.R. and one cart trench mortar, passing through shop during the month.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villers au Bois	1-2-18		Month opened with considerable work in shop. One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer, Two B.L. 60pds being overhauled repaired and modifications carried out. Following repairs to Infantry equipment: One Kitchen Travelling, One Cart water tank overhauled repaired and modifications carried out where necessary.	
	2-2-18		One Q.F. 18pdr overhauled and repaired and extensive repairs to Infantry equipment. Two Carts water tanks, Two wagons U.S. Two Kitchens Travelling overhauled and modifications carried out.	
	3-2-18		Work very light to artillery equipment: One Cart water tank overhauled repaired and modifications carried out; Repairs to workshop equipment.	
	4-2-18		One Cart officers mess overhauled repaired, repairs carried out to artillery and workshop equipment.	
	5-2-18		The following Infantry equipment overhauled repaired, One Cart water tank, Three Kitchens Travelling, One wagon limbered U.S. Repairs to artillery equipment - light. One Q.F. 18pdr overhauled and repaired.	
	6-2-18		One Q.F. 18pdr, Three Carts water tanks, One Cart officers mess overhauled and repaired, and minor repairs to workshop equipment.	
	7-2-18		Extensive repairs to artillery equipment: Two B.L. 6" 26 Cwt. Howitzers One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer overhauled repaired and modifications carried out. One Kitchen Travelling and one wagon limbered U.S. repaired.	
	8-2-18		One Q.F. 18pdr, Two Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers overhauled and repaired, Two Carts water tanks, One wagon limbered U.S. and one Cart officers mess overhauled and repaired.	
	9-2-18		Repairs to following artillery and Infantry equipment: Carried out	
	10-2-18		Two Q.F. 18pdrs, Two Carts water tanks overhauled and repaired	
	11-2-18		One Q.F. 18pdr overhauled and repaired. One wagon limbered U.S. One Cart machine repaired.	
			Work on artillery equipment continues light: One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer overhauled repaired, One wagon U.S. One Kitchen Travelling, One Cart officers mess repaired.	

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Villers au Bois	12-2-18		Following Infantry equipment overhauled and repaired, two Cart water Tank one kitchen travelling. Minor repairs to artillery equipment.	
	13-2-18		No work on artillery equipment; one Cart water Tank, one Kitchen travelling	
	14-2-18		One Wagon Ambulance was repaired and overhauled.	
	15-2-18		Work on Artillery and Infantry equipment light. Part of the day devoted to building small dug-outs and erecting shelters for the men.	
	16-2-18		One Wagon U.S. one Cart officers mess and one Wagon Ammunition overhauled and repaired. Extensive repairs to workshop equipment.	
	17-2-18		Increase in work on artillery equipment; one Q.F. 18 pdr, three B.L. 60 pdrs repaired and modifications carried out.	
	18-2-18		Two Q.F. 18 pdrs, two B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzers, overhauled and repaired, and repairs effected to following infantry equipment: two Wagons limbered U.S.	
	19-2-18		one B.L. 60 pdr and one B.L. 60 pdr limber overhauled and repaired.	
	20-2-18		Work on Artillery equipment light; only one Q.F. 18 pdr overhauled and repaired. And one Wagon limbered U.S. repaired.	
	21-2-18		No work on Artillery equipment; one Cart water Tank being overhauled and repaired.	
	22-2-18		Two B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzers overhauled and repaired. one Cart water Tank and two Kitchens travelling overhauled repaired and all modifications carried out where necessary.	
	23-2-18		Following artillery equipment overhauled and repaired, one Q.F. 18 pdr. Work on Infantry equipment light; one Wagon U.S. and one kitchen travelling overhauled and repaired. Minor repairs to workshop building.	
	24-2-18		One B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzer examined and minor repairs carried out. Three B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzers fitted with experimental rubbers.	
			One Q.F. 18 pdr, overhauled and repaired, one Wagon limber U.S. repaired.	

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No. 3
Date 28-2-18

H. Durling Lieut C.O.C.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villers au Bois	25-2-18		Work in shop very light; minor repairs to artillery equipment repairs carried out on workshop buildings.	
	26-2-18		No repairs to artillery equipment; repairs to Infantry equipment-light only one cart water tank overhauled repaired and modifications carried out.	
	27-2-18		Being no repairs to Artillery and Infantry equipment. Part of the day was spent in Cultivating a small plot of ground which is being utilized for the production of vegetables for this unit.	
	28-2-18		Following Infantry equipment: One cart water tank, one wagon U.S. One wagon limbered U.S. overhauled, repaired, and all modifications carried out. Minor repairs to Artillery and Workshop equipment. Continued.	
			Summary: As will be seen by the above the repairs to Artillery equipment have been light during the month thirteen O.F. 18 pdrs. Five O.F. 4.5 Howitzers, Nine B.L. 6" 26 cwt Howitzers. Four B.L. 60 pdrs passing through the shop. Repairs to Infantry equipment. Normal. Thirteen carts water tanks, Seven wagons U.S., Twelve kitchen travelling two wagons limbered R.E. Seven wagons limbered U.S., Five carts officers mess, one wagon ambulance, one wagon ammunition, and one B.L. 60 pdr limber passing through the shop during the month.	

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H. Durling Lieut-Col.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villiers du Bois	1-3-18		Month opened with very little work in workshop. Minor Artillery repairs. One Wagon G.S. overhauled and repaired.	
	2-3-18		One B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzer overhauled and repaired, and following repairs to artillery equipment: Sight Oscillating overhauled and examined. Three Cart Water Tanks repaired and modifications carried out.	
	3-3-18		Work on artillery equipment continues light: One B.L. 60 pdr overhauled and repaired. Repairs to workshop equipment: Carried out. Also one Wagon G.S. and one Wagon Limbered G.S. overhauled and repaired.	
	4-3-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr, One B.L. 60 pdr, One Cart Water Tank, and one Cart officers Mess. overhauled repaired and modifications carried out where necessary.	
	5-3-18		Two Q.F. 18 pdrs, Two Cart Water Tanks, One Wagon Limbered G.S. and one Wagon Limbered R.C. overhauled repaired and modifications carried out where necessary.	
	6-3-18		Work on artillery and Infantry equipment continues light: One Q.F. 18 pdr, One Wagon G.S. overhauled and repaired.	
	7-3-18		Experimental tests being carried out to B.L. 60 pdr guns and also to B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzers. These experiments are being carried out with guns in action.	
	8-3-18		One B.L. 60 pdr overhauled and repaired. and following Infantry equipment overhauled repaired. One Cart Water Tank, One Kitchen Travelling, One Wagon Limbered G.S., One Wagon Ambulance. and one Wagon G.S.	
	9-3-18		No work on artillery equipment. One Cart Water Tank. Two Kitchen Travelling. overhauled and repaired.	
	10-3-18		Work continues light: One Cart Water Tank overhauled and repaired.	

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Date *30-3-18*

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villers au Bois	11-3-18		The following repairs carried out to Infantry, and workshop equipment; One Cart water Tank, and One Douglas Engine completely overhauled	
	12-3-18		Minor repairs to artillery equipment carried out. And two kitchens travelling overhauled and repaired.	
	13-3-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr overhauled and repaired, and extensive repairs to trench mortars.	
	14-3-18		Work in shop continues light. Considerable repairs to workshop building. and Trench Mortar elevating Gyps manufactured.	
	15-3-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr overhauled & repaired.	
	16-3-18		Following repairs on Infantry equipment; One Cart water Tank. Two kitchens travelling, and one Cart officers mess overhauled and modifications carried out.	
	17-3-18		Three Carts water Tanks, One wagon G.S. One wagon Ambulance and one 6" Trench Mortar overhauled and repaired.	
	18-3-18		No work to-day on artillery equipment; Three Carts water Tank and one wagon limbered G.S. overhauled and necessary repairs carried out.	
	19-3-18		One wagon G.S. overhauled & repaired, Trench Mortar elevating Gyp manufactured	
	20-3-18		One Cart water Tank repaired and modifications carried out to artillery stores.	
	21-3-18		B.L. 6" 26 Cwt. Howitzer, One B.L. 60 pdr. in workshop for repairs, also one Cart water Tank, and two kitchens travelling overhauled and modifications carried out.	
	22-3-18		Work in shop continues light; Two wagons G.S. repaired.	
	23-3-18		Repairs carried out to B.L. 6" 26 Cwt. Howitzer. Minor repairs to workshop equipment	

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Date 2-4-18

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villeneuve St. Pierre	24-3-18		Work light on Infantry equipment. One wagon limbered G.S. repaired minor repairs to workshop building. One B.L. 6" 26 cwt. Howitzer overhauled and inspected.	
	25-3-18		Two wagons limbered G.S. One wagon limbered R.E. repaired.	
	26-3-18		Slight increase in work on Infantry equipment; one Cart water tank, two Kitchens travelling, two wagons Ammunition, two wagon limbered G.S. overhauled repaired and modifications carried out.	
	27-3-18		Extensive repairs to Artillery equipment.	
	28-3-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr. One Cart water tank, two Kitchens travelling and one wagon limbered G.S. overhauled repaired, and modifications carried out where necessary.	
	29-3-18		Minor repairs to workshop and Artillery equipment.	
	30-3-18		Repairs to Trench mortars, modifications to fuses, and minor repairs to Workshop equipment.	
	31-3-18		Experimental tests being carried out to guns in action. Trench mortar guns manufactured and repairs to Infantry equipment effected.	
			Summary - Work in shop during the month has been light. Only seven Q.F. 18 pdr. Four B.L. 6" 26 cwt. Howitzers, four B.L. 60 pdr. guns, overhauled repaired and modifications carried out. Following Infantry equipment overhauled & repaired & modifications carried out - twenty one Cart water tanks, fourteen Kitchens travelling, eleven wagons limbered G.S. nine wagons G.S. two wagons Ammunition, and two Carts officers mess.	
			Two wagons limbered R.E. repaired extensive repairs to Trench mortars and Artillery equipment.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
Villers au Bois	1-4-18		The month opens with considerable aerial and artillery activity. I witnessed one enemy aeroplane destroying four of our balloons on this immediate front; as a result of the artillery engagement several of our small field guns were put out of action, and were sent into workshop for repairs. Where work was carried on almost continuously until necessary repairs were effected to put guns into action.
	2-4-18		Today one, Q.F. 18 pdr, one Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer, and one B.L. 60 pdr carriage were condemned by me as beyond local repairs. probably as a result of the previous artillery engagement.
	3-4-18		At present the Third and Fourth Divisions, the Eight and Fifty Second Brigades C.F.A. and the First, Second and Seventy Ninth Brigades Heavy Artillery, as well as Infantry Divisions, are based on this workshop for repairs. Owing to the fact that this is only a light mobile workshop, it is quite obvious that work must be carried on almost continuously in order to keep up repairs to Heavy and Siege, as well as Field Artillery.
	4-4-18		Experiments on two B.L. 60 pdr Carriages continues, necessitating measuring guns after each one hundred rounds have been fired. and reports sent to I.O.M. Southern Section.
	5-4-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr Carriage condemned, damaged by hostile shell fire. Work continues on artillery and infantry equipment. During the day minor repairs were carried out on M.L. 6" trench mortars.
	6-4-18		The Canadian Corps Supply Column have recalled the Daimler lorry from this workshop. thereby taking the only means of transport I have making it very difficult to keep a necessary supply of stores on hand. The light car being kept busy on Battery Inspections and I.O.M. Southern Section's duties.
	7-4-18		The workshop yard is being filled up with condemned guns & Carriages as the units are unable to transport them to Railhead.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villers au Bois	3-4-18		Three B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzers arrived in workshop from Base for overhaul and inspection before going into action. In several cases small particles of cuttings and filings were found in Recuperator Cylinder. Needless to say if guns were fired with this metal substance in Recuperator, only a few rounds would be sufficient to cause considerable damage.	
	7-4-18		Today the anniversary of the capture of Vimy Ridge. During the night considerable artillery activity was heard. Work continues heavy on Artillery and Infantry equipment; about fifty per cent of latter being condemned and sent to Base on account of insufficient quantity of wood to carry out necessary repairs here.	
	10-4-18		Several heavy and field guns in for repairs. During the night and day the enemy has been shelling the roads and back areas with heavy high velocity shells. Fortunately the workshop has not been damaged.	
	11-4-18		Shelling of back areas continues, with apparently little or no damage being done. Repairs continue to Artillery and Infantry equipment.	
	12-4-18		I have six Q.F. 18 pdrs completed and ready for action. One B.L. 60 pdr Carriage awaiting necessary parts. and one B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzer undergoing repairs.	
	13-4-18		Extensive repairs to Artillery, Infantry, and Workshop equipment.	
	14-4-18		Test measurements carried out to two guns in position.	
	15-4-18		Work in shop considerable lighter. One B.L. 60 pdr Carriage, one Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers and one B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzer now undergoing repairs.	
	16-4-18		A reserve position at Estrée Cauchie has been allotted to this unit for the purpose of carrying out repairs to vehicles. Our present position is to be utilized only for the repairs of Artillery equipment.	
	17-4-18		A new work allotment has been effected, placing the following units on this shop for repairs, The 1st Div C. D. A. and Brigades attached all heavy equipment with following Brigades, First, Second, Third C. G. A. The Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Tenth Divs. First, R. G. A. and E Battery Anti aircraft.	H. D.

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H. Durling

Lieut.
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villers au Bois	18-4-18		During the night one Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer, and One B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzer. Came in for repairs. Work continues to Infantry and Artillery equipments in our rear position.	
	19-4-18		No Guns or Howitzers were received in workshop during the day. Arrangements were made with the different Artillery Divisions, for the removal of Condemned guns and Carriages from Workshop to Railhead.	
	20-4-18		The Light Car has been out of action for some time. Making it very difficult to carry out Battery inspections.	
	21-4-18		One B.L. 60 pdr piece was condemned by me for excessive protrusion and fractured A tube. One Q.F. 18 pdr, one B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzer and one Q.F. 13 pdr A.P. now undergoing repairs. Excessive repairs to trench mortars.	
	22-4-18		Work continues to Artillery and Infantry equipment in both rear and forward positions. At present I have one B.L. 60 pdr carriage and two B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzers undergoing repairs.	
	23-4-18		An Artillery equipment pool is in process of being formed and will be operating in a reasonably short time. All guns, stores, and spare parts surplus to establishments are to be turned in to the pool, and to be drawn only in cases of emergency, and in order to keep guns in action. This pool should prove very satisfactory, especially to the Batteries as, it will enable them to obtain stores and spare parts without so much delay.	
	24-4-18		When a gun is sent into the workshop for repairs, a Limber Gunner or Fitter should accompany same. In the majority of cases this is not being done, thereby causing an extra amount of work to be thrown on the workshop, which should be done by Gunners or Fitters.	
	25-4-18		During the past few days the work has been centered on Heavy and Siege Artillery, which is being finished in the allotted time.	

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Reference A. R. O. 2603. The cars of all Ordnance Mobile Workshops in First Army will be pooled. One will be allotted to the 6 L.O.M. and one to each Sectional L.O.M. The remainder will be allotted to sections in proportion to the number of workshops in the sections. This in my opinion is very unsatisfactory. As each workshop L.O.M. should have at his disposal, at all times, some means of conveyance. For Battery Inspections Collecting stores etc. The allotted time for overhaul and repair of different guns, as follows, Q.F. 18 pdr three days, Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer four days, B.L. 60 pdr five days and B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzer six days. This I find is ample time for ordinary repairs to be carried out providing, the necessary parts can be obtained without delay.

During the day three salvaged Q.F. 18 pdr guns and Carriages were condemned by me as beyond local repairs, being damaged by hostile shell fire.

Repairs continue to artillery, Infantry, Workshop and Trench Mortar equipment.

Work has been heavy during the month as will be noted in the following summary

Summary. - Sixteen Q.F. 18 pdr guns, Twenty One Q.F. 18 pdr Carriage Five Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers and Carriages, Two Q.F. 13 pdr Aircraft guns and mountings Ten B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzers and Carriages, Four B.L. 60 pdr Guns, and Five B.L. 60 pdr Carriages were overhauled and repaired. Following Infantry equipment Cart Water Tanks, Rifles, Wagons 4 S. Ten, Wagon Lumbered 4 S. Eight, Wagons Ammunition, three, Kitchens Travelling, three, 6 Arts officers mess, three, Wagon Telephone, one, and one Q.F. 18 pdr Gun Limber Overhauled Repaired and Modifications Carried Out where necessary.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and reference to Appendix
Willers Aw Bois	1-5-18		The month opens with Considerable work to Artillery equipment forward position. While extensive repairs are being carried out to Infantry equipment in the rear position.	
	2-5-18		During the day several Field guns came in for repairs, one Q.F. 18 pdr and one B.L. 60 pdr completed and ready for action.	
	3-5-18		Work heavy to Artillery equipment. As the Canadians are being relieved by Imperial units. Every effort is being made to put the guns and Howitzers in good condition before the exchange is made.	
	4-5-18		Two Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers. in addition to Q.F. 18 pdrs overhauled and repaired.	
	5-5-18		Extensive repairs to Infantry equipment. Carried out. Work continues to Artillery equipment.	
	6-5-18		Modifications and repairs carried out to M.L. 6" Trench Mortars.	
	7-5-18		The following Infantry equipment: overhauled, repaired, and modifications, carried out: No. 1 necessary. Three Cart Water Tanks, One Wagon Limber G.S. and one Wagon Ambulance horse.	
	8-5-18		Today One Q.F. 18 pdr, One B.L. 60 pdr, Two Wagons G.S. Three Cart Water tanks, Two Wagons Ammunition came in for repair.	
	9-5-18		Owing to the amount of "Rush" work on hand, it is essential that considerable overtime be put in, in order to complete the necessary repairs within the allotted time.	
	10-5-18		Two Q.F. 18 pdrs, One Q.F. 13 pdr A.A., and one Wagon G.S. in for overhaul and repair.	
	11-5-18		Extensive repairs to Infantry equipment. Carried out in our rear position, Two Q.F. 18 pdrs, One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer for overhaul and repair.	
	12-5-18		During the last few days, Five Q.F. 18 pdrs Carriages have been condemned as beyond local repair. Having been destroyed by shell fire. These carriages are sent to base for overhaul and repairs.	

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Co. C.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villers-au-Bois	13-5-18		Four Q.F. 18 pdrs, One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer, One Q.F. 13 pdr A.A., Four wagons G.S. and One wagon Ammunition. Came in today for overhaul and repairs.	
	14-5-18		Work continues on Infantry, Artillery and French Mortar equipment.	
	15-5-18		Measurements carried out to two Batteries of Siege Guns in position.	
	16-5-18		Repairs to workshop equipment.	
	17-5-18		Extensive repairs to Artillery equipment - Seven Q.F. 18 pdrs, One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer overhauled and repaired.	
	18-5-18		Repairs carried out to the following equipments, Nine Cart Water Tanks and two kitchens travelling.	
	19-5-18		Three Q.F. 18 pdrs, One Cart Mallet, one wagon limbered G.S. and one wagon Ambulance Horse overhauled repaired and modifications carried out where necessary.	
	20-5-18		Only one Q.F. 18 pdr one wagon G.S. Two wagons Ammunition and one Q.F. 18 pdr Gun Limber came in today for repairs.	
	21-5-18		The Reserve Position at Estrée Cauchie has been given up to make room for 33 workshop which is now in our area.	
	22-5-18		The repairs to Infantry equipment are now being carried out in our forward position. Repairs carried out to workshop equipment.	
	23-5-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr, Two B.L. 6" 26 Cal. Howitzers, one B.L. 60 pdr, Four wagons G.S. One Cart Mallet and two wagons Ammunition overhauled and repaired.	
	24-5-18		During the day one wagon limbered G.S. and one wagon Ambulance Horse came in for overhaul and repairs.	
	25-5-18		Work continues to Artillery and Infantry equipments.	
	26-5-18		Three Q.F. 18 pdrs, Three Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers, one B.L. 60 pdr and three carts Water Tanks in the shop for necessary repairs.	
	27-5-18		Modifications carried out to M.L. 6" trench mortars, minor repairs to Infantry and workshop equipment.	
			The following guns and Carriages overhauled and repaired, One Q.F. 18 pdr, One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer, One B.L. 60 pdr.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Villers au Bois	28-5-18		Work in shop continues to Artillery equipment. Minor repairs being carried out to two Wagon Limbered G.S.	
	29-5-18		Four Q.F. 18 pdrs, three carts water tanks, and one Cart-Matrose in for repairs	
	30-5-18		Repairs considerable lighter to Artillery equipments, only two. Q.F. 18 pdrs came in today for overhaul and repairs.	
	31-5-18		Minor repairs to Artillery Infantry and Workshop equipment-carried out during the day.	
			Summary:- As will be noted from the following summary, work in the shop during the month has been heavy. Forty one Q.F. 18 pdrs and fifty Carriages, fourteen Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers and twelve Carriages, seven B.L. 6 pdrs and Carriages, two B.L. 6" 26 Cwt Howitzers and Carriages and two Q.F. 13 pdr A.A. guns and Mountings passing through the shop. Also eleven Wagons G.S. twenty six Carts water tanks, two Cart Matrose, seven Wagon Limbered G.S. three Wagon Ambulance Horse, nine Wagon Ammunition, eight Kitchens Travelling, and one Q.F. 18 pdr gun limber being overhauled repaired and modifications carried out where necessary.	<i>H. D</i>

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H. Durling Capt. C.O.

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The month opens with considerable work on hand, and the Hun paying us many compliments with overhead shrapnel. Fortunately I have had no casualties, only slight damage to the men's billets. Shelling continues during the day and night. Repairs continue to Infantry and Artillery equipment. Three Q.F. 18 pdrs. came in for overhaul and repair.

A new workshop site has been allotted to this unit in the open fields near Maisnil Bouche. During the day the machinery, tools, and horses were put in readiness for removal in the morning. Minor repairs to artillery equipment.

Very little work in shop at present. All artillery equipment has been completed. The workshop equipment and personnel are now being removed to new site.

Everything arrived in good shape. Temporary sheds erected and work was resumed on Q.F. 18 pdrs which came in during the night. Minor repairs to Infantry equipment.

One Q.F. 18 pdr condemned for scoring. One Bt. 60 pdr in shop for overhaul and repairs. During the day I visited one Battery of 60 pdrs and obtained measurements of all the guns.

Extensive repairs to Infantry, Workshop, and Artillery equipment. One Q.F. 18 pdr gun and carriage condemned being destroyed by hostile shell fire.

Work on Artillery equipment light. Minor repairs were carried out to 3" Stokes trench mortars. Additions and alterations to workshop buildings.

One Q.F. 18 pdr gun & carriage condemned damaged by shell fire. One Q.F. 18 pdr and one Bt. 60 pdr completed and ready for action.

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#Durling Capt. C.O.C.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<i>Mainville Bouche</i>	<i>10-6-18</i>		<i>Repairs continue to Artillery equipment. I visited two Batteries of Bt. 8" Howitzers in action and obtained measurements of all the guns.</i>	
	<i>11-7-18</i>		<i>Work continues in shop. I again visited one Battery of Bt. 8" Howitzers also one Battery of 9.2" Howitzers and obtained measurements of all the guns.</i>	
	<i>12-7-18</i>		<i>One hour gas drill and Helmet inspection this morning.</i>	
	<i>13-7-18</i>		<i>Minor repairs to Workshop equipment.</i>	
	<i>14-7-18</i>		<i>During the day two Q.F. 18 pdrs came in for overhaul and repairs. and three Q.F. 18 pdrs were completed and ready for action.</i>	
	<i>15-7-18</i>		<i>Work continues heavy to Artillery equipment. extensive repairs to trench mortars. and one Q.F. 18 pdr condemned for scoring.</i>	
	<i>16-7-18</i>		<i>Two Bt. 6 pdrs came in during the day for overhaul and repair. One Q.F. 18 pdr in for special examination for erratic shooting. Measurements and impressions were taken, and instructions given for another special series of rounds to be fired.</i>	
	<i>17-7-18</i>		<i>Four Q.F. 18 pdrs in for repair. One Bt. 6 pdr Carriage and one Q.F. 18 pdr Carriage sent to base. being beyond local repair.</i>	
	<i>18-7-18</i>		<i>A new portable Workshop building is being constructed and should be completed within a reasonably short time. The entire building will be covered over with water proof Canvas, which is being supplied by Ordnance Gun Park.</i>	
			<i>During the last few days I have measured and inspected several batteries of Heavy Artillery. In all I found two Carriages which were in need of repairs. They were sent into shop where necessary repairs were effected.</i>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Travis's Brache	19-6-18		Work continues to artillery equipment. One Q.F. 4.5 Howitzer Carriage condemned as beyond local repair. Three Q.F. 18 pdrs came in during the night for repairs.	
	20-6-18		I inspected two Batteries of 9.2 Howitzers this morning measurements were obtained, defects carefully noted while guns were firing. And a report on condition of same was submitted through the usual channels.	
	21-6-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr condemned. Not repairable within reasonable time. This piece was sent to Heavy Mobile Workshop for copper fusing.	
	22-6-18		Extensive repairs to Artillery and Infantry equipment.	
	23-6-18		During the day repairs were carried out to 9.45 French Mortars.	
	24-6-18		Minor repairs to Infantry equipment.	
	25-6-18		I have been granted fourteen days leave of absence to U.K. arrangements have been made for 10th. 33 Ordnance Mobile Workshop Light to take charge during my absence. Leave starts on 25th.	
	26-6-18		Repairs continued to Artillery and Infantry equipment.	
	27-6-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr, one wagon ammunition and two wagons G.S. received for repair.	
	28-6-18		No Artillery equipment in for repairs. Minor repairs to Workshop equipment.	
	29-6-18		Repairs to French Mortars and Infantry equipment.	
	30-6-18		Two Batteries of 6" 26 Cwt Howitzers were inspected in reserve position and measurements taken of all guns.	
			Minor repairs to Infantry equipment.	
			Summary: Work during the month averages very steady. The following guns passing through the shop. Twenty two Q.F. 18 pdr pieces twenty five 18 pdr Carriages, two 4.5 Howitzers, and four B.L. 60 pdrs guns overhauled and repaired. Five Q.F. 18 pdr and one Carriage, one 4.5 Howitzer and Carriage One B.L. 60 pdr and Carriage condemned being beyond	

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Mannet Beach			<p>local repair. Repairs carried out to the following Infantry and Artillery equipments: carts officers Mess, five. Wagons G.S. five. Q.F. 18 pdr Gun Limbers - One (U). Wagons numbered R.R. one, cart water tank sixteen, Kitchens travelling set, wagons Ambulance Horse, one, wagon numbered G.S. fine and wagons Telephone one.</p>	<p><i>AB</i></p>

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Capt. C.O.C.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Thames Bank	1-7-18		Month opens with very little work in shop. Permission was received and workshop personnel attended Canadian Corps Sports.	
	2-7-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr Completed and ready for action. One Q.F. 18 pdr received for repairs.	
	3-7-18		Minor repairs to Infantry equipment.	
	4-7-18		Visited by the A.D.M.S.	
	5-7-18		Work Normal repairs to workshop and Infantry equipment.	
	6-7-18		Visited by the D.A.Q.M.G. general inspection of workshop.	
	7-7-18		Inspected two Batteries of B.L. 60 pdr guns. impressions taken and two Carriages were ordered in shop for overhaul and repairs.	
	8-7-18		Material received for portable workshop. Work continues to Artillery equipment.	
	9-7-18		J.O.M. returns from Leave of Absence, from U.K.	
	10-7-18		Workshop routine. Guns inspected.	
	11-7-18		Repairs continue to workshop, Artillery, and Infantry equipment.	
	12-7-18		Majority of men suffering from influenza. Gargle parade twice daily.	
	13-7-18		Visited battery of B.L. 6" Hows. measurements taken.	
	14-7-18		Portable workshop under construction. Work normal.	
	15-7-18		Work in shop very light. owing to the Men of this Unit being inoculated.	
	16-7-18		Work still light. Men not fully recovered from inoculation.	

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Trains and Base	17-7-18		Repairs to Artillery and Infantry equipment.	
	18-7-18		Received orders to move to Louey. Join Canadian Corps.	
Louey.	19-7-18		Arrived at Louey. Stores unpacked. getting Workshop in readiness to resume work on artillery equipments.	
	20-7-18		Reported shop in action in the morning. One 18 pdr in for overhaul and repairs.	
	21-7-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr condemned. and dispatched to Base.	
	22-7-18		Inspected Battery of A.A. guns in position measurements and impressions taken.	
	23-7-18		During the day two Q.F. 18 pdrs came in for repairs. Minor repairs to Infantry equipment.	
	24-7-18		Work in shop very light; Inspected A.A. Battery.	
	25-7-18		Inspected A.A. Battery.	
	26-7-18		Minor repairs carried out to Infantry and Workshop equipment.	
	27-7-18		Inspected A.A. Battery. guns in good condition.	
	28-7-18		Received orders to move workshop to Acq. No work accepted in present site. Tools packed ready for removal.	
Acq.	29-7-18		Arrived at new site (Acq). Portable shop erected.	
	30-7-18		Workshop reported in action. Two Q.F. 18 pdrs received for repair.	
	31-7-18		Extensive repairs to Workshop equipment. Workshop routine.	

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<i>Acq.</i>	<i>31-7-18</i>		<p><i>Summary:-</i></p> <p><i>During the month, work in shop has been normal. As will be noted, the workshop routine has been considerably effected, owing to the numerous moves.</i></p> <p><i>Great difficulty has been experienced in making up this month's diary, owing to our records being destroyed by enemy action at Somart-sur-la-Luce.</i></p>	<p><i>H.D.</i></p> <p><i>H. Durling.</i> <i>capt. C.O.C.</i></p>

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**Report of bombing of No. 8 Ordnance mobile
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acq.	1-8-18		Work on hand at the beginning of the month, very light: Two Q.F. 18 pdrs on hand for overhaul and repair. repairs to infantry equipment.	
	2-8-18		Minor repairs to trench mortars. General clean up of workshop yard.	
	3-8-18		Received orders from First Army to proceed to Fourth Army. All work on hand was handed over to No 33 workshop at Savoy.	
	4-8-18		No lorries arrived. until late in the evening. Workshop equipment loaded awaiting instructions.	
St. Julien	5-8-18		Leaving acq. at 9 am. arrived at St. Julien 9.30 pm. No lorry trouble was experienced during the long journey. Store and workshop lorry in fine working condition.	
	6-8-18		Expecting portable workshop, joined by 26 O.M. W. (A.I.)	
	7-8-18		Reported in action. Two Q.F. 18 pdrs received for overhaul and repairs. Received orders for one shop to move forward. No 26 going to Somart; in action by 9 pm.	
Somart	8-8-18		No 8 Workshop. moved to Somart: sheds erected and reported in action by 9 pm.	
	9-8-18		Two Q.F. 18 pdrs came in during the night for repairs, minor repairs to infantry equipment.	
	10-8-18		Repairs to Q.F. 18 pdrs.	
	11-8-18		The area occupied by this unit was heavily bombed from 10.30 pm to 1 am. Considerable damage being done to workshop.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Dormant	12-8-18		As a result of last night's bombing raid. Our workshop lorry, Store tent containing office records, P.F. Artificers tools etc. were rendered unserviceable. One N.C.O. slightly wounded. One man missing and two men shell shocked. No 26 workshop joined No 8. in the afternoon	H.D.
	13-8-18		Workshop lorry evacuated to Base. With the aid of No 26 shop lorry work was resumed on Artillery equipment.	
	14-8-18		Inspected battery 4.5 Howitzers at Le Quesnoy. Also Battery of 6" Mk II at Auesnell. Two lorries reported for duty from C.C.M.T. Company.	
	15-8-18		Inspected two Batteries of Q.F. 18 pdrs today. Work in shop continues	
	16-8-18		Received orders to move to advanced position at Beaucourt.	
	17-8-18		Part of the workshop personnel at Beaucourt erecting portable sheds.	
	18-8-18		Arrived at Beaucourt: Shops in action, and work resumed on Bt. 60 pdr gun.	
Beaucourt	19-8-18		Two Bt. 60 pdrs guns. One cart water tank received for overhaul and repaired. Minor repairs to trench mortars.	H.D.
	20-8-18		One Q.F. 18 pdr received for overhaul and repairs. One Bt. 60 pdr repairs completed, Visited Battery 6" 26 cwt Howitzers. Measurements taken, and Carriages examined. One gun condemned.	
	21-8-18		Bombed by enemy aircraft: One lorry attached to this unit was damaged. Office building slightly damaged.	
	22-8-18		Two Q.F. 18 pdrs for overhaul and repairs.	

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H. Durling

Capt. Coe

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Beaucourt	23-8-18		Inspected two Batteries of B.L. 60 pdrs. Measurements taken, one gun condemned for wear, and two Carriages ordered to workshop for overhaul and repair	
	24-8-18		No 26 Workshop received orders to move to Montiers. Taking Machine lorry renders No 8 almost unserviceable.	
	25-8-18		Minor repairs to Artillery equipment.	
	26-8-18		Three B.L. 60 pdrs completed awaiting removal.	
	27-8-18		Workshop out of action, received orders to move to No 5 Heavy mobile.	
	28-8-18		No lorries available	
	29-8-18		Awaiting lorries	
	30-8-18		Awaiting lorries	
	31-8-18		Still awaiting transportation	
			Lorries arrived 9am. Leaving Beaucourt 2pm proceeded to Heavy mobile re-loaded one lorry and proceeded to First Army. Arriving at Savoy at 1pm on the 1-9-18.	
			Summary:- During the month, work in shop has been Normal. Owing to the machine shop lorry, being destroyed, and the shop moving almost continuously, it has been difficult to keep the work up to Normal. Attached copy of Bombing report rendered to C.S.M. First Army.	<i>H.P.</i>

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Fourth Army:

Sir:-

I beg to report that the area in which No 8 Ordnance Mobile Workshop (light) is situated, namely Dormart, was heavily bombed on the night of the 11th inst at 1030 pm for a period of 3 hours. No less than 42 bombs both heavy and light being dropped by the enemy. Unfortunately casualties occurred both to workshop equipment and personnel. One man missing, one slightly wounded, and two shell shock cases.

The damage to equipment was considerable. Workshop lorry rendered unserviceable with most of the machinery installed. Store tent with a large amount of stores, including portable P.F. shop and tools, also certain Range finding instruments, including 6 No 7 dial sights, two Armstrong huts. The office and office records, and other valuable tools were destroyed by fire. Light Car of 8 and 26 workshops slightly damaged. Store lorry considerably damaged about the super-structure, but still serviceable.

We were unable to take steps to fight the fire at first. Owing to a large ammunition dump on opposite side of the road being set alight. Shells were exploding and being thrown in all directions, which made it very unsafe to leave the dug-out.

With the exception of the two shell-

shocked cases the men behaved very well. turning out and searching for the missing man. And also removing some boxes of petrol to a greater distance from fire, when some of the explosions abated.

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H. Durling 19-10-18 C.O.C.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Newville-Village	1-9-18		The month opens with the shop moving into new site, Newville Village in the First Army Area.	
	2-9-18		The site was a mass of shell holes, which had to be filled before buildings could be erected. The personnel being accommodated in our old front line trench and in dugouts round about.	
	3-9-18		Shop in action. Work resumed on artillery equipments. Inspected a Battery of 81.60 pdrs in action behind the Village of Sandmont.	
	4-9-18		Workshop routine. Work heavy.	
	5-9-18		Considerable work on artillery sights. Workshop routine.	
	6-9-18		As I have no workshop lorry at present, work is being held up to a certain extent for lack of machinery, lathes, drilling machines, grinders etc, all artillery equipments are being dealt with in the shortest possible time.	H/D
	7-9-18		Slight repairs to vehicles are being carried out, those in need of extensive repairs are being sent on to No 20 Medium Workshop, where a Corps Wheelers department has been formed by the A.D.C. Colonel Count de Brury. This has filled a long felt want, and has relieved the light-workshops considerably.	
	8-9-18		Work continues very heavy.	
	9-9-18		Inspected a Battery of 60 pdr guns in action, was shelled heavily both going and coming from Battery. Car Driver Elson being slightly wounded, and the car slightly damaged.	

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H. Durling Capt. C.O.C.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	<i>10-9-18</i>		<i>My Sergt. Major Watson left for United Kingdom today for a months re-engagement leave, which has been well earned by this W.O.</i>	
	<i>11-9-18</i>		<i>Repair to artillery equipment continues exceedingly heavy.</i>	
	<i>12-9-18</i>		<i>Great difficulty experienced in obtaining spare parts, which causes a great deal of running around, trying to borrow from other shops</i>	
	<i>13-9-18</i>		<i>Workshop routine.</i>	
	<i>14-9-18</i>		<i>Workshop routine.</i>	
	<i>15-9-18</i>		<i>Work continues very heavy.</i>	
	<i>16-9-18</i>		<i>Minor repairs to infantry equipments.</i>	
	<i>17-9-18</i>		<i>Workshop routine.</i>	
	<i>18-9-18</i>		<i>Erecting Blacksmith & wheelers shop. owing to the weather this was absolutely necessary.</i>	
	<i>19-9-18</i>		<i>Minor repairs to workshop equipment.</i>	
	<i>20-9-18</i>		<i>Workshop routine.</i>	
	<i>21-9-18</i>		<i>Large numbers of Artillery equipments continue to arrive in workshop.</i>	
	<i>22-9-18</i>		<i>The Personnel of this workshop is now down to 25 men. This is causing a lot of extra strain on the men.</i>	
	<i>23-9-18</i>		<i>Workshop routine</i>	
	<i>24-9-18</i>		<i>Workshop routine</i>	
	<i>25-9-18</i>		<i>Workshop routine</i>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	26-9-18		Workshop routine, work continues heavy	
	27-9-18		Workshop routine.	
	28-9-18		Workshop routine.	
	29-9-18		Workshop routine.	
	30-9-18		Workshop routine, preparing to move forward.	
	<p>As will be seen from the following summary, the work during the month of September has been exceedingly heavy. No less than seventy Q.F. 18 pdr Guns, Seventy Six Q.F. 18 pdr Carriages, Thirteen 4.5 Howitzers, Seventeen 4.5 Howitzer Carriages, Ten B.H. 60 pdr Guns, and Ten B.H. 60 pdr Carriages, making a total of Ninety Three Guns, and One hundred three Carriages, having passed through the shop for overhaul and repair.</p> <p>In addition to the above artillery equipments, about Fifty Vehicles of all descriptions were overhauled and repaired. Also a large number of sights and small detail repairs were carried out. This in my opinion, considering the small personnel of this unit, has been a big strain on the men, who, unlike other units are never given an opportunity of any rest or recreation, and are usually switched to some other Corps when the 6th Corps goes out for a rest.</p>			H.D.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendix
Inchy	1-10-18		The month opens with considerable amount of work on hand. As the workshop moved into new position today. buildings had to be erected, site cleaned up, and repairs to artillery equipment carried out.	H. D.
	2-10-18		During the day the men were filling up shell holes in the yard carrying out repairs to guns. Erecting an office, and as there were no available houses or cellars, the men were forced to sleep in dugouts in the Old Hindenburg support line.	
	3-10-18		I inspected two Batteries of 60 pdr guns in action today. Made arrangements for Carriages in need of repair to be sent in to workshop where repairs would be effected without delay.	
	4-10-18		Work on artillery equipment exceptionally heavy.	
	5-10-18		Workshop routine, Enemy shelling back area's with long range guns. No damage to workshop.	
	6-10-18		Workshop routine.	
	7-10-18		Extensive repairs to Infantry as well as artillery equipment.	
	8-10-18		Workshop routine	
	9-10-18		Workshop routine	
	10-10-18		Work continues heavy.	
	11-10-18		At present I am holding several Q.F. 18 pdr's, & Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers on gun park stock, which are issued to units whose equipments are broken down, thus enabling them to keep more guns in action.	

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Date 31-10-18

H. Durling Capt. C.O.B.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Inchy	12-10-18		Workshop Routine.	
	13-10-18		Workshop routine.	
	14-10-18		Battery inspection carried out on guns in action. all guns found in good working order. with exception of one piece which was scored but not within condemning limits.	
	15-10-18		Workshop routine.	
	16-10-18		Work continues exceptionally heavy to Artillery and Inf equipment.	
	17-10-18		Visited 393 Siege Battery of 6" mark 81X gun. and located site for forward shop. Dead horses lined the road most of the way.	
	18-10-18	9:30 pm	Preparing first aid workshop. Work on 60 pdr guns very heavy. fm ordered Armt S/S Smith to hold himself in readiness to proceed with first aid workshop and personnel, consisting of Armt S/S one, Filters 4, wheelers 2, Turners 1, Hammerman 1, Cook 1, to site selected at Bantigny.	
	19-10-18		The First Aid Workshop left Inchy at 11 am and arrived at Bantigny at 1:10 pm. without casualty. preparation was made and workshop in action at 4 pm. Great credit is due to Staff Sergt Smith who was wholly in charge of workshop and personnel.	
	20-10-18		On instructions from A.D.S. Cdn Corps. to push the forward workshop on to absecon, which the Germans had vacated in the morning. I proceeded to Bantigny and ordered Staff Sergt Smith to carry out these instructions. I saw the First Aid Workshop leave Bantigny at 5:10 pm. for Pailencourt where it was to cross the Canal de Senesse. This is where our troubles commenced.	

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Bantigny	30-10-18		Continued: Arriving at Pallenecourt it was found that the Bridges had all been destroyed by the Germans. And time did not allow for new bridges being built. The workshop returned to Bantigny and proceeded by another route, namely, through Abancourt and Hressies. These Villages being badly damaged by shellfire at Hressies we found a bridge suitable to carry a heavy lorry (workshop). By this bridge we passed over the now famous Canal de Senece. Being the first Cdn Workshop to cross the Canal. No 26 being still at Remcourt. Arriving at Feshian workshop proceeded to Abscon. but unfortunately on arrival at Marquette the workshop lorry run into a shell hole. This delayed considerably but by untiring efforts the workshop was finally got out and proceeded to Abscon without any further trouble, arriving at 3 am to find the town gayly decorated and the inhabitants still in the streets, overjoyed to be at liberty again.	
Abscon	21/10/18		First Aid Workshop reported in action at 9 am, Rear portion of workshop very busy with 60 Pdr and 18 Pdr equipments.	
	22/10/18		Visited 2 nd Cdn Heavy Battery at Oisey and condemned 60 Pdr. Gun	
	23/10/18		First Aid Workshop visited by C.I.O.M. and A.S.O.S. First Army also by A.S.O.S., S.I.O.M. and I.O.O Canadian Corps and expressed their appreciation.	
	24/10/18		Rear portion of Workshop arrived at Abscon 7 pm. today. I instructed Armt Staff Supt Smith to move forward to site selected at Bellamy at 8 am tomorrow. Visited C.B.F.A at Abscon.	H.D.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Abscom	<i>25/10/18</i>		<i>First Aid Workshop left Abscom 10 am and arrived at Bellain 2 pm found site selected not available, proceeded to Oisy and located for night. Work continues very heavy at rear portion of workshop. Great difficulty being experienced in obtain stores from Gun Park as they are so far behind.</i>	
Abscom and Herin	<i>26/10/18</i>		<i>First Aid Workshop moved from Oisy to Herin at 3 pm to good site in school house. Workshop in Action 4 pm.</i>	
	<i>27/10/18</i>		<i>Very Heavy shelling of the Village of Herin all night fortunately no casualties although both gas and H.E. shell were used.</i>	
	<i>28/10/18</i>		<i>We have now very comfortable quarters both forward and rear workshop being the first time since our arrival in France (namely 5-2-16) that we have been quartered in a dwelling house.</i>	
	<i>29/10/18</i>		<i>The Village of Herin in which First Aid Workshop is located was very heavily shelled all day. Have not been visited by anyone of importance in our forward shop.</i>	
	<i>30/10/18</i>		<i>Work continues very busy at both forward and rear workshops.</i>	
	<i>31/10/18</i>		<i>General workshop routine.</i>	

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Date *31/10/18*

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
			<i>Summary</i>	
	<i>October 19/18.</i>		<p>The following equipments have passed through this workshop for repair during month of October 1918:-</p> <p>Q.F. 18 Pds = 84, Q.F. 4.5 Howitzers = 10, B.L. Pds = 13</p> <p>As will be seen by the above work was very heavy. This was mainly due to the very bad administration of allotment of work to the various workshops in Canadian Corps, there being four light workshops in Canadian Corps during the Cambrai Operations. This is not due to one person alone, as unfortunately, and also to the allotment of the service, there are five administrators of the workshops.</p>	

H. Durling Capt B.O.C.

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H. Durling Capt-606

No. 1
Date 30-11-18

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Merin	1-11-18		The month opens with very little work on hand, minor repairs being carried out to Infantry and Artillery equipments.	
	2-11-18		Usual workshop routine.	
	3-11-18		Inspection of Bt. 60 pdr and Bt. 6" 26 Cwt. Hows carried out in gun positions.	
	4-11-18		Repairs to workshop equipment.	
	5-11-18		Workshop routine.	
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	7-11-18		do	
	8-11-18		Very little work on hand, minor repairs to Artillery equipment.	
	9-11-18		Battery Inspections.	
	10-11-18		Workshop routine.	
	11-11-18		Armistice signed. Not much work today.	
none	12-11-18		Workshop & personnel moved to Monis today.	
	13-11-18		Workshop reported in action. Very little work on hand.	
	14-11-18		One wagon G.S. for repair.	
	15-11-18		Workshop routine.	
	16-11-18		Workshop routine.	
	17-11-18		Workshop routine.	
	18-11-18		Workshop routine.	
	19-11-18		Workshop routine.	
	20-11-18		Workshop routine.	

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<i>Mons</i>	<i>21-11-18</i>		<i>} Workshop Routine.</i>	
	<i>22-11-18</i>			
	<i>23-11-18</i>			
<i>Chaleroi</i>	<i>24-11-18</i>		<i>Left Mons for Chaleroi remained one night.</i>	
<i>Namur</i>	<i>25-11-18</i>		<i>Left for Namur arriving at 5 pm.</i>	
<i>Jambes.</i>	<i>26-11-18</i>		<i>Finding site for workshop.</i>	
	<i>27-11-18</i>		<i>located workshop site at Jambes. in a large Factory which had been used by the Germans as an Army workshop. Large quantity of stores being left behind.</i>	
	<i>28-11-18</i>		<i>Preparing workshop site. And providing accommodations for the men.</i>	
	<i>29-11-18</i>		<i>Workshop reported in action.</i>	
	<i>30-11-18</i>		<i>Workshop routine.</i>	
<i>Summary.</i>				
<i>From the time the Armistice was signed and hostilities ceased very little work has been done to repairs of equipments. Advantage has been taken of a much needed rest.</i>				

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Jamies, Belgium	1-12-18		Work on hand at the beginning of the month very light; the corps being on the move.	
	2-12-18		Overhauling workshop machinery	
	3-12-18		Minor repairs carried out to One Bt. 60 pdr.	
	4-12-18		Workshop routine.	
	5-12-18		No work on hand.	
	6-12-18		Received Orders, "Prepare to move," no lorries available for transportation	
	7-12-18		Awaiting transportation	
	8-12-18		Awaiting transportation	
Rothaux	9-12-18		Moved off this morning at 9 am with workshop & Store Lorries.	
"	10-12-18		During to minor repairs to Store Lorry, we were compelled to stay the night in Rothaux, Moved off at 9 am. Arrived at Ville de Bois at 7 pm.	H.D.
Ville de Bois	11-12-18		Leaving Ville de Bois 8 am. Crossed the German frontier at 11 am, and proceeded to Blankenheim. Arriving at 7 pm.	
Blankenheim (Germany)	12-12-18		Carried out minor repairs to lorries, Collecting rations, petrol mail etc.	
Bonn	13-12-18		Moved off at 9 am. proceeded to Bonn. Arriving at 5 pm.	
	14-12-18		Temporary site. Public school building on Heerstrasse, Awaiting further instructions	
	15-12-18		Awaiting orders.	
	16-12-18		Finding new locations.	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Comm.	17-12-18		Located new workshop site, 96 Siegburgerstrasse, Beuel, Leaving Bonn, crossed the Rhine, and arrived at present site 11 a.m.	
Beuel.	18-12-18		Reported shop in action,	
	19-12-18		Minor repairs to workshop equipment.	
	20-12-18		Battery inspections	
	21-12-18		Repairs to Infantry equipment	
	22-12-18		Workshop routine.	
	23-12-18		Workshop routine	
	24-12-18		Work in shop very light.	
	25-12-18		No work today.	
	26-12-18		Repairs to Infantry equipment.	
	27-12-18		Repairs to Infantry equipment.	
	28-12-18		Battery inspections.	
	29-12-18		Battery inspections	
	30-12-18		Minor repairs to workshop heavy.	
	31-12-18		Battery inspections.	

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Beuel, Germany	1-1-19		Observed as a holiday. No work on hand.	H/D.
	2-1-19		Workshop routine, minor repairs to infantry equipment.	
	3-1-19		One Bt. 60 pds Gun received for overhaul and repair.	
	4-1-19		Workshop routine and Battery Inspections.	
	5-1-19		One Bt. 60 pds received for overhaul and repair.	
	6-1-19		Workshop routine.	
	7-1-19		Minor repairs to Infantry equipment.	
	8-1-19		Battery inspections.	
	9-1-19		Workshop routine, work very light.	
	10-1-19		Workshop routine.	
	11-1-19		Workshop routine.	
	12-1-19		Workshop routine.	
	13-1-19		Minor repairs to infantry equipment.	
	14-1-19		Two Bt. 60 pds received for overhaul and repair.	
	15-1-19		Battery inspections.	
	16-1-19		Repairs to Infantry and Artillery equipment.	
	17-1-19		Battery Inspections.	
	18-1-19		Minor repairs to workshop equipment.	
	19-1-19		Workshop routine.	
	20-1-19		Workshop routine.	
	21-1-19		Minor repairs to Infantry equipment.	

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Beuel Germany	22/1/19		Visited Bolonge to interview C.I.O. by 4 th Army, Col Robinson C.J., D.S.O.	H.D.
	23/1/19		Visited 81 and 82 Ord. Mobile Workshops. Personnel of No 25 O.M.W. Medium arrived to take over 83 O.M.W. (Medium) from Andenne.	
	24/1/19		Making arrangements for the departure of 83 O.M.W. Medium to take over shop vacated at Andenne by 25 O.M.W. (Medium).	
	25/1/19		Workshop routine.	
	26/1/19		Col the Count De Buary, A.D.O. Canadian Corps visited workshops.	
	27/1/19	2 pm	Workshops visited by C.I.O. by 4 th Army and S.I.O. by "B" Section 4 th Army.	
	28/1/19		Personnel of 83 O.M.W. (M.) left Bonn for Andenne.	
	29/1/19		Visited 81 and 82 O.M.W. (Light).	
	30/1/19		Germans spreading rumours of a revolution in Belgium.	
	31/1/19		Preparing to move 81 and 82 Light Workshops. Visited Mechelen to interview G.C. 5 th Div Cdn Arm. Col. who were billeted in Count Von Douchman Pension. This was also the residence of the late King Edward also the late German Emperor Kaiser William II.	
			Orders to move on 3 rd Feb.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
BEUEL	1-2-19		Preparing to move, packing up boxes and overhauling same	
Germany	2-2-19		Completing arrangements for moving	
---	3-2-19		Left Beuel at 8 am, passing through the town of Bonn, Duren and Aachen	
BELGIUM	4-2-19		Continued the journey	
ANDENNE	5-2-19		Arrived at Andenne, Belgium.	
---	6-2-19		Looking for a site in which to place workshop, which was not successful.	
---	7-2-19		Located workshop site on Rue Freres Urban in small pottery factory.	
---	8-2-19		Getting workshop into operation.	
---	9-2-19		Locating permanent billets for personnel	
---	10-2-19		Workshop in operation, works visited by A. D. O. of Canadian Corps.	
---	11-2-19		Workshop Routine	
---	12-2-19		No work at present in workshop.	
---	13-2-19		Organizing sports for personnel.	
---	14-2-19		Visited Canadian Corps H.Q. at Jodvigne. Arranged what drive for personnel of 82 & 83 Workshops.	
---	15-2-19		Visited 81 Workshop.	
---	16-2-19		Large amount of demobilization correspondence arriving, unfortunately this does not demobilize the men.	
---	17-2-19		S. O. in "B" Section anxious for a lot of work to be done, now the war is over.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Andenne	18/2/19		Pay Day. Paid 81, 82 & 83 Workshops.	<i>H.D.</i> <i>Capt. 606.</i>
— " —	19/2/19		Workshop Routine	
— " —	20/2/19		Received instructions to continue war diaries until leaving France.	
— " —	21/2/19		Still continuing to receive Demobilization Orders. According to Orders we shall be among the last troops to leave France.	
— " —	22/2/19		Workshop Routine.	
— " —	23/2/19		Workshop Routine.	
— " —	24/2/19		Four guns of the 66th Div Artillery arrived in workshop for overhaul & repair.	
— " —	25/2/19		Repairs to 4.5" Howitzers of 66th Div Artillery carried out.	
— " —	26/2/19		Workshop Routine.	
— " —	27/2/19		Office visited by A. S. O. S. Concentration Camp (Major Donaldson) and D. A. S. O. S.	
— " —	28/2/19		Bdm Corps Troops (Major Taylor).	
— " —	29/2/19		Workshop Routine.	

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L.O. 82

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Andenne Belgium	1/3/19		Visiting Canadian Corps Hqs.	
	2/3/19		Still receiving demobilization circulars but not demobilized yet.	
	3/3/19		Baseball match at Andenne between 82 and 83 Canadian Workshops, which resulted in a win for 83 by 2 runs.	
	4/3/19		Visited 82nd Workshop Routine.	
	5/3/19		Visited 81 at Remicourt.	
	6/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	7/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	8/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	9/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	10/3/19		Visited 82nd Workshop Hqs.	
	11/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	12/3/19	P.M.	Visited Hqs. to inspect guns of 11th A. F. A. Brigade. Completed report on workshops in the field for L.D.A.S. Canadian Corps.	
	13/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	14/3/19		Left Andenne for L.O.A. to England of 14 days. Workshop left in charge of L.O. 82.	
	15/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	16/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	17/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	18/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	19/3/19		Workshop Routine.	

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Andenne	24/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
Polignac	24/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	22/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	23/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	24/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	25/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	26/3/19		Checking stores preparatory to handing in to Ordnance.	
	27/3/19		Ditto.	
	28/3/19		Ditto.	
	29/3/19		Workshop Routine.	
	30/3/19		Workshop Routine. Arrived back at Andenne from L.O. & to L.H.	
	31/3/19		Inspection of 17th Pde R. G. A. at Andenne Station.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
ANDENNE	8/4/19		Commenced to hand in Ordnance part of workshop.	
	13/4/19		All Ordnance stores returned & now awaiting orders to Return Lorries	
	16/4/19		The two Lorries (Store and workshop Lorries) were returned to Eden Camp Troop RT Coy together with a list of deficiencies	
	26/4/19		Personnel of 81 O.M.W. Lt. joined with unit for travelling for dispersal	



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Camp E.O.C.

10.M. 82 Can O.M.W. Lt.